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Claims

What is claimed is:

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1. A method for manufacturing an airbag cushion, said method comprising the steps of:

5 providing at least one fabric blank;

forming a three-dimensional airbag cushion structure including said at least one fabric blank, wherein said airbag cushion structure includes at least one seam;

wherein said seam is formed from a tri-stitch fold-over seam structure.

- The method set forth in claim 1, further including the steps of:
 providing a second fabric blank, and forming said three-dimensional
 structure by attaching said one fabric blank to said second fabric blank.
- 3. The method set forth in claim 1, further including the step of applying a coating to at least one surface of said airbag cushion.
- 4. The method set forth in claim 3, wherein said coating comprises at least 70% silicone resin in an amount of about 0.5 to 2.0 oz/sq. yd.
 - 5. The method set forth in claim 1, wherein said at least one fabric blank includes multifilament yarns having a tenacity of no greater than about 60 cN/tex.

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6. The method set forth in claim 1, wherein said at least one fabric

blank includes multifilament yarns having a tenacity of no greater than

about 55 cN/tex.

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7. The method set forth in claim 1, wherein said at least one fabric

blank includes multifilament yarns having a tenacity of no greater than

about 50 cN/tex.

10 8. The method set forth in claim 1, wherein said at least one fabric

blank includes multifilament yarns having a tenacity of no greater than

about 45 cN/tex.

9. The method set forth in claim 1, wherein said at least one fabric

blank includes multifilament yarns having a tenacity of no greater than

about 40 cN/tex.

10. A method for manufacturing an airbag cushion, said method

comprising the steps of:

providing at least one fabric blank;

forming a three-dimensional airbag cushion structure including said

at least one fabric blank, wherein said airbag cushion structure includes at

least one seam; and

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wherein said seam is formed from a double-stitch fold-over seam structure.

11. The method set forth in claim 10, further including the steps of:

providing a second fabric blank, and forming said three-dimensional

structure by attaching said one fabric blank to said second fabric blank.

12. The method set forth in claim 10, further including the step of

applying a coating to at least one surface of said airbag cushion.

13. The method set forth in claim 12, wherein said coating comprises at

least 70% silicone resin in an amount of about 0.5 to 2.0 oz/sq. yd.

14. The method set forth in claim 10, wherein said at least one fabric

blank includes multifilament yarns having a tenacity of no greater than

about 60 cN/tex.

15. The method set forth in claim 10 wherein said at least one fabric

blank includes multifilament yarns having a tenacity of no greater than

about 55 cN/tex.

16. The method set forth in claim 10 wherein said at least one fabric

blank includes multifilament yarns having a tenacity of no greater than

about 50 cN/tex.

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17. The method set forth in claim 10, wherein said at least one fabric blank includes multifilament yarns having a tenacity of no greater than about 45 cN/tex.

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18. The method set forth in claim 10, wherein said at least one fabric blank includes multifilament yarns having a tenacity of no greater than about 40 cN/tex.

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